

complete outfit without cost to the Association. To the ladies and other friends who contributed to this satisfactory result, the cordial thanks of the Association was tendered. A statement of the receipts and expenditure of the furnishing fund is appended to the report showing a balance of \$144.01 unappropriated.

The management of the new rooms has devolved increased labor and responsibility on the Committee which they have discharged to the best of their ability.

J. C. MACKINTOSH, *Chairman*.

FINANCE.

The Committee beg to report as follows:—

The total expenditure for the year has been \$2,389.87, and the Income \$2,223.08, showing a balance due the Treasurer of \$166.82. In addition to this there are unpaid accounts to the amount of about \$120. So that the total indebtedness at present is about \$386. For details the Committee refer to the Treasurer's account herewith submitted.

It will be seen that our expenses have increased some \$580, as compared with the preceding year. This has been caused in part by an increase in salaries paid, and partly by the additional outlay rendered necessary by our occupation of the new building. As however we have been in the new premises only part of the past year, the Association will have to provide for yet larger expense in the ensuing year. With this object in view the General Committee recommended the increase of the Annual membership fee to Two dollars. The Finance Committee fear that this will not produce a sufficient addition to our income, and therefore suggest that an effort be made to renew and enlarge the guarantee list established some years since, but which has recently very much dwindled down.

The Committee desire again to acknowledge the obligation of the Association to the very efficient Treasurer S. H. Black, Esq., for his services during the past year.

W. B. McNUTT, *Chairman*.

MEMBERSHIP.

At the commencement of the year there were belonging to the Association 506 members, since then 226 have been added, and 49 removed from the list, showing an actual increase during the year of 177, making the total membership up to this time 683; the larger portion—350—being active members, are eligible for office.

There are also 8 life members, and 22 subscribers on the roll.

Four of those whose names have been taken from the list have died, viz.: Brothers J. D. McAlpine, Augustus Allison, A. Carmichael, and John Flowers.

The Committee, in common with the whole christian community, desire to express their unfeigned regret at the death of Miss Cogswell, one of our subscribers, and an earnest friend of the institution.